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SUBJECT: VISAS FOR CANADIAN RESIDENTS RETURNING
THROUGH UNITED STATES

REPORTED CLOSING OF CANADIAN AIRPORTS BY FIREMEN STRIKING
AGAINST CANADIAN PACIFIC CAUSING HEAVY DEMAND LISBON
BY PORTUGUESE FOR NONIMMIGRANT VISAS TO TRANSIT US TO
RETURN TO HOMES IN CANADA. SINCE TRAVELERS UNCERTAIN
WHETHER CONNECTING FLIGHT CAN BE ARRANGED, THEY ARE
UNABLE TO MEET TRANSIT VISA PROVISION FOR "POSSESSION
OF A TICKET OR OTHER ASSURANCE OF TRANSPORTATION TO
HIS DESTINATION." MOST PLAN TO GO BY TRAIN OR BUS
TO CANADA IF FLIGHTS NOT AVAILABLE. EMBASSY LISBON
THEREFORE ISSUING B-2 ONE ENTRY ONE MONTH VISAS WITH
NOTATION "RETURNING TO RESIDENCE IN CANADA." THESE
VISAS WILL BE ISSUED ONLY TO RESIDENTS IN CANADA WITH
LANDED IMMIGRANT SLIPS WHO CAN PROVE THEIR CONTINUED
RESIDENCE IN CANADA AND TO IMMIGRANTS TO CANADA
WITH IMMIGRANT VISAS ISSUED BY CANADIAN EMBASSY.
BOTH GROUPS MUST IN ADDITION SHOW THAT THEY HAVE
SUFFICIENT MONEY FOR THE TRANSIT. DURING
DURATION OF STRIKE EMBASSY WILL ISSUE SUCH VISAS
UNTIL INSTRUCTED OTHERWISE BY DEPARTMENT.
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